

ORDINANCE NO. 496

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER BOARD TO ASSIST AND ADVISE THE LAS ANIMAS CITY COUNCIL IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO WATER AND SANITATION DEPARTMENTS.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO:

1. That a Water Board is hereby established to function until such time as said Water Board may be dissolved by action of the City Council.

2. That said Water Board shall be composed of the following members who shall serve terms as indicated:

- a. Mayor of the City of Las Animas - Term of Office
- b. Chairman of the City Council Committee on Water Works - Term of Office
- c. Four (4) citizens of Las Animas at large who shall be qualified electors and real property taxpayers, not holding any office in the City government or employed by the City government. Said four (4) members-at-large shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to the approval of the City Council for terms of four (4) years in length. Present members of the Water Board appointed by the Council and serving under Resolution No. I-64 shall serve out their terms as appointed.

3. The Water Board shall elect a chairman from among its members and shall adopt such rules of procedure as may be necessary to carry out its function.

4. The City Council hereby delegates the following powers and authority to the Water Board:

a. To study long-range requirements of the water and sanitation system of the City of Las Animas, to determine the necessity for expansion of the system, acquisition of water resources, construction of new facilities, and major improvements to existing facilities and to make recommendations thereon to the City Council.

b. To negotiate with and obtain the services of engineers, attorneys, and other qualified professional and scientific consultants as required to develop its studies and recommendations.

c. To negotiate for the sale of water and sewer taps outside areas with current commitments, in accordance with established policies.

d. To study rate and tap fee schedules and to recommend rate revisions necessary to meet changing conditions.

e. To determine financing required for normal operation, expansion of facilities, and capital improvements and to make recommendations to the City Council both for maintenance and operation and for capital construction.


f. To keep the City Council informed on all policy matters pertaining to the water and sanitation department.

g. Within the annual budget adopted by the City Council to provide supervision for the management and maintenance of the water and sewer department which shall include the operation and maintenance of water and sewer plants, lines, appurtenances, meter reading, billing and collecting, keeping of records, and preparation of reports; provided, however, that said commission shall first obtain approval of the City Council before

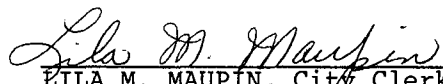
entering into any contractual agreement for construction of plant or facilities, purchase of water rights or real property, sale of water, or unusual expenditures not authorized in the annual budget.

INTRODUCED, PASSED ON FIRST READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS  
5h DAY OF July, 1983.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY  
TITLE ONLY THIS 2nd DAY OF August, 1983.

  
ALFERD PUTNAM, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
EILA M. MAUPIN, City Clerk